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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Saturday, 14 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 6th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Levy Patrick Mwanawasa, President of the Republic of Zambia
3. Continuation of the general debate:

   Address by His Royal Highness Prince Ulukalala Lavaka Ata, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Tonga

   Kazakhstan

   United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

   Romania

   Germany

   Cuba

   Oman

   Finland

   Papua New Guinea

   Yemen

3 p.m. . . . . 7th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Sir Tomasi Puapua, Governor-General of Tuvalu
2. Continuation of the general debate:

   Luxembourg

   Malaysia

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Morocco

New Zealand

Austria

Ukraine

Guyana

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Kenya

Malawi

Dominica

Other meetings

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Saturday, 14 September 2002

Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Affairs Ministers

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council

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Arab Group
(at the ministerial level)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Organization of the Islamic Conference

Contact Group on Somalia
(at the ministerial level)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Meeting of Foreign Ministers of the Rio Group

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at *www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm*.

Saturday, 14 September 2002

Room S-226

1.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. The Honourable Don McKinnon, Commonwealth Secretary-General; H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, Chairperson and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Australia (on the meeting of the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers)

4.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia; H.E. Mrs. Yoriko Kawaguchi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan (on the ministerial meeting of several countries party to the Comprehensive Test-Ban-Treaty)

6.30 p.m. . . . . Mr. Hatsuhisa Takashima, Spokesman for the Foreign Minister of Japan

Forthcoming official meetings

Sunday, 15 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 8th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
2. Continuation of the general debate:

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Pakalitha Mosisili, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Lesotho

Togo

Bahrain

Syrian Arab Republic

Netherlands

Gabon

Portugal

Poland

Mongolia

Azerbaijan

Trinidad and Tobago

3 p.m. . . . . 9th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate:

Belgium

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Armenia

Jordan

Greece

Hungary

Malta

Islamic Republic of Iran

Liberia

Andorra

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Bahamas

Fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly
General debate
(12-15, 17–20 September 2002)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with General Assembly decision 56/468 of 1 May 2002, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

Fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly

High-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly to consider how to Support the New Partnership for Africa's Development
(16 September 2002) (9 a.m.–1 p.m., 3–7 p.m.)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 1) for the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly to consider how to support the New Partnership for Africa's Development is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001). The provisional list of speakers (No. 1) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative). Delegations are reminded that, in view of the large number of speakers already inscribed, statements are limited to 5 minutes.

Sixth Committee

Informal open-ended consultations on the organization of work of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session will take place on Thursday, 19 September 2002, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6. For the preliminary draft programme of work of the Sixth Committee, please visit the Web site of the Committee at www.un.org/law/cod/sixth.

Economic and Social Council

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session for 2002

The second regular session for 2002 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Monday, 23 September to Friday, 27 September 2002, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2002/L.3. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 September 2002.

United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the strategy and business plan of the United Nations Development Fund for Women on Wednesday, 18 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Second regular session for 2002

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 16 to 20 September 2002 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2002/11. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Meeting of Foreign Ministers of the African Union

There will be a meeting of Foreign Ministers of the African Union on Sunday, 15 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 4.

Group of 77
(on the draft Ministerial Declaration)

There will be meeting of the Group of 77 (on the draft Ministerial Declaration) on Monday, 16 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

UNITAR special briefing for new delegates on the work of the Third Committee

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) will hold a briefing for new delegations on the work of the Third Committee on Monday, 16 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Annual Coordination Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Organization of the Islamic Conference

The Annual Coordination Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will be held on Tuesday, 17 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries

The Third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries will take place on Tuesday, 17 September 2002, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

There will be a meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) on Tuesday, 17 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

UNITAR briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) of the Office of Legal Affairs are jointly organizing a briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea 20 years after the conclusion of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Wednesday and Thursday, 25 and 26 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 18 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9684).

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Third Committee

Copies of the revised document containing the proposed organization of work of the Third Committee will be available on Monday, 16 September 2002, after 1 p.m., in room S-2950.

Deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda

Member States and non-Member States maintaining permanent observer missions at United Nations Headquarters are reminded that the deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda will expire on Monday, 23 September 2002. Any nominations that they may wish to make should be communicated the Legal Counsel (room S-3427A) before the close of business of that day.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Live Webcast of the general debate

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly will be available at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Tuesday, 3 September 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Statements to the media

Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 11 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

General Committee

1st–2nd meetings *Note*: The summary of the 1st and 2nd meetings of the General Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/179).

Friday, 13 September 2002

Security Council

4608th meeting (closed) *The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo*

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4608th meeting, held in private on 13 September 2002, the Security Council considered the item entitled "The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo".

"Their Excellencies Mr. Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mr. Paul Kagame, President of the Rwandese Republic, and Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa, were invited to participate in the discussion in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The Secretary-General, the members of the Council, the President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the President of the Rwandese Republic, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa had a constructive discussion."

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

4th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/57/390/Add.1)

The Assembly took note that Mauritania had made the necessary payment to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Address by H.E. Mr. Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia

H.E. Mr. Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana

H.E. Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Pierre Buyoya, President of the Republic of Burundi

H.E. Mr. Pierre Buyoya, President of the Republic of Burundi, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Alvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia

H.E. Mr. Alvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Denis Sassou-Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo

H.E. Mr. Denis Sassou-Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr Marc Ravalomanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar

H.E. Mr. Marc Ravalomanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate

H.E. Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Junichiro Koizumi, Prime Minister of Japan, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. The Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, Prime Minister of the Italian Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Australia, and H.E. Mr. Joseph Deiss, Federal Counsellor and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Switzerland.

5th plenary meeting

The summary of the 5th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/179).

Security announcement

As of *today*, 14 September 2002, members of delegations with valid grounds passes may access the restricted area without secondary passes but they will still be required to pass through magnetometers. First Avenue will remain closed between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. until further notice. Commencing *tomorrow*, 15 September 2002, nightly, from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., the next morning, First Avenue will reopen to vehicular traffic. Only escorted motorcades will be allowed access at the 43rd Street vehicular entrance.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2002 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Côte d'Ivoire
H.E. Mr. Djessan Philippe Djangone-Bi

Asian States:
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
H.E. Mr. M. Javad Zarif

Eastern European States:
Ukraine
H.E. Mr. Valery P. Kuchinsky

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Suriname
H.E. Mrs. Irma E. Loemban Tobing-Klein

Western European and other States:
Portugal
H.E. Mr. Gonçalo de Santa Clara Gomes

Web sites

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

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